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Re: U.S. Patent Application of DAWSON, et al.
Appl. No. 09/346,923; Filed: July 2, 1999
For: TOPICAL TREATMENT OR PREVENTION OF
OCULAR INFECTIONS
Inventor(s): Chandler R. Dawson and Lyle M. Bowman
Our Ref: 03654.0250-US01

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) are the following documents:

1. Information Disclosure Statement Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)
2. Form PTO-1449 including 21 documents
3. Return Postcard

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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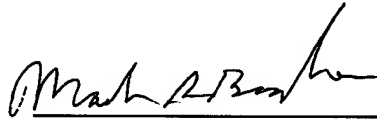
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As the Examiner is aware, the submission of these documents is not to be construed as an admission that any document is prior art to the present invention or that any document is material to patentability as defined in rule 56.

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